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number of cases from the beginning of the epidemic to October 5, was 43, with 15 deaths.

J. M. EAGER,
Passed Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Evasion of quarantine restrictions in regard to passengers and freight for United States ports.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, September 27, 1902.

SIR: Referring to inclosed supplementary statement of the transactions at this station during the period from July 1 to September 15, 1902, I have the honor to state that there have been no noteworthy changes in the personnel, equipment, or methods described in a previous report. Unforeseen delays in the erection of an improved disinfecting plant have taken place, but it is hoped that this needed improvement will soon be accomplished.

I respectfully invite the attention of the Bureau to the difficulty of enforcing restrictive measures as to passengers and freight bound for the United States (apart from Hawaii and the Philippines), much more exacting than those required by the Canadian authorities. This office is informed that passengers evade these restrictions by taking passage to Canadian ports whence they can readily pass into the United States.

Respectfully,

DUNLOP MOORE,
Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

[Inclosure.]

Report of transactions at Yokohama for the period from July 1, 1902, to September 15, 1902.

Number of bills of health issued	49
Number of vessels inspected.....	46
Number of bills of health issued without inspection	3
Number of crew inspected.....	3,846
Number of passengers inspected	4,695
Number of passengers bathed and body clothing disinfected.....	1,939
Number of crew bathed and body clothing disinfected.....	23
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected and labeled.....	2,531
Number of pieces of baggage inspected and labeled	17
Number of packages of freight disinfected and labeled.....	23

MEXICO.

Reports from Progreso—Yellow fever in Merida .

PROGRESO, MEXICO, September 25, 1902.

Week ended September 12, 1902.—Present officially estimated population, 5,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever, 3 cases, no deaths. No deaths or cases of other quarantinable diseases. Total deaths, 4. No deaths from communicable diseases. Eight cases and 2 deaths from yellow fever in Merida were reported during the week.

Week ended September 19, 1902.—Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever, 3 cases, 2 deaths. No deaths or cases of other quarantinable diseases. Total deaths from all causes, 7. Several cases of yellow fever and 3 deaths are reported in Merida during the week.

Week ended September 26, 1902.—Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever, 1 case, no deaths. There are no cases or deaths from other quarantinable diseases. The sanitary condition of the port remains